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Inmate Escapes from Bergin CORRECTIONAL FACILITY

At 12:30 a.m. on 07/19/05 Connecticut State Police were notified by the Dept. of Corrections that a minimum-security offender, serving a sentence for Operating under the influence of Liquor or Drugs, has been discovered missing from the Bergin Correctional Facility in Storrs.

At approximately 12:15 a.m. a correction officer, during his regular tours, found a window open in a housing unit at the facility. An emergency count of the inmate population was initiated and showed that Arturo Catalan, 37, of Fairfield was not accounted for.

Catalan is described as Hispanic, 5'5", 135 pounds with black hair and brown eyes. He most recently entered the system on June 1, 2005 to serve a sentence of 120 days for Operating under the Influence.

Connecticut State Police are conducting a statewide search and criminal investigation into the escape. All Law enforcement agencies have been notified and Connecticut State Police are utilizing K-9 teams and State Police personnel to search for the inmate.

The Department of Correction Security Division will conduct an internal investigation into how the escape occurred.

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